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Our tape girdles have been admired for their intrinsic value. They are the best shaped girdle in the trade. Made in four qualities. Very suitable for young ladies and misses. Sizes 18 to 24. Per Pair, 35c, 50c, 75c, \$1.00.

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This corset is made in both Coutille and Bastiste bias cut. A most attractive corset for slender figures, low bust and extra long pointed hips and front, with bones supporters attached, sizes 18 to 24. Per Pair, \$1.25.

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## OPENING OF ASSEMBLY

### Forecast of the First Whitney Speech From the Throne.

The Abolition of the Numbered Ballot, the Creation of a Department of Mines, the Extension of the Temiskaming Railway to Form Junction With G. T. P. Among the Principal Items of Legislation Promised.

Toronto, March 22.—At 3 o'clock this afternoon the eleventh Parliament of Ontario will be opened by Lieutenant-Governor Clark. A mounted escort from the Royal Canadian Dragoons will accompany His Honor from Government House to the Parliament Buildings, where a guard of honor of 100 men from the Royal Grenadiers will receive him and a salute will boom forth from field guns, manned by a detail of 25 men from the Fourth Field Battery of Hamilton, which is the corps commanded by Hon. J. S. Hendrie.

As soon as the Lieutenant-Governor ascends the Throne, the Assembly will be called upon to elect a speaker, and His Honor will withdraw to permit of this proceeding.

The nomination of Mr. St. John will be seconded by Mr. Harcourt, acting leader of the Opposition. The speeches will not be lengthy.

Speech From the Throne. When this essential to Government has been disposed of, the representative of the Crown will enter the chamber, and read the speech from the Throne.

It is understood that the Lieutenant-Governor, after welcoming the members to their duties and expressing thanks to the Assembly for the abundant harvest of the past year, will note the increasing activity and enterprise of the people in all sections of the province. Reference will be made to the departure of the Earl of Minto as Governor-General of Canada, since the last session of the Legislature. The severance of the official connection of the Governor-General with the people of Canada was greatly regretted by the people of Ontario. During his term he strengthened the attachment of the Canadian people to the Empire and to the principles of constitutional Government, by his interest in the progress and development of the Dominion. Reference will also be made to the active part of Lady Minto in philanthropic movements, and her departure, the speech will say, has been sincerely regretted. In this connection the Lieutenant-Governor will refer to the appointment of the Earl of Grey and express the hope that his tenure of office may be extended by the increasing prosperity of the people.

Join Grand Trunk Pacific. Referring to the Temiskaming Railway, the representative of the Crown will say that the road, as originally planned, has been practically completed, but that legislation will be required after the route of the Grand Trunk Pacific has been located, in order to extend to form a junction with the transcontinental road.

During the session the report of the railway taxation commission will be laid before the House, and legislation along this line is foreshadowed. The Education Act will be amended and a bill introduced relating to the Forests Reserves Act. There will also be legislation changing the designation of the commissioners of the Crown Lands and Public Works Departments to that of minister.

Changes will be promised in the law respecting County Councils, and the holding of elections. The change in the Ballot Act will be in the direction of secrecy, as promised in Premier Whitney's reply to the Dominion Grange.

Reply to the Speech. On the conclusion of the speech from the Throne, the Assembly will be adjourned, and on Thursday morning will open with the moving of the address in reply to the speech from the Throne by W. H. Hoyle (North Ontario). J. P. Downey (South Wellington) will second the reply and Mr. Harcourt will reply for the Opposition. It is expected that the debate on the address will be concluded on Thursday.

Selection of Whips. On Thursday morning, at 11 o'clock, the conservative members will caucus in the public accounts committee room. The first business of the caucus will be to elect a whip. The junior whip of the Opposition last Parliament was J. B. Lucas, and now he is line for promotion to the rank of senior whip, whose duties were performed by Dr. Willoughby in the old Parliament.

Seine Fishing in the Thames. At a meeting of the Provincial Cabinet yesterday afternoon, a decision was arrived at relative to the question of seine fishing in the Thames River. The Government will issue no licenses for year, and after this year no licenses for any part of the river will be issued. Hon. Adam Beck, representative of the City of London, has pressed the claims of the anglers in this matter, and the decision of the Government will be hailed with satisfaction by lovers of the sport.

Prison-Made Goods Deputation. About forty members of the Dominion Trades Congress waited on Hon. W. J. Hanna yesterday afternoon and urged their views with regard to prison-made goods. They asked that the manufacture of brooms be confined to the hand-manual and mental exercise incumbent upon the operators was beneficial, and that the goods so manufactured would not enter into competition with non-prison-made goods. In any case the deputation asked that the product of prisoners be stamped "prison-made." Consideration was promised.

Discussing Indian Affairs. Mr. F. Pedley, of Ottawa, Assistant Superintendent-General of Indian Affairs, was in conference with Hon. J. J. For the respective responsibilities of the Province and the Dominion of Canada toward the Indians of Ontario. The dispute is a matter of long standing, but it is hoped to reach a basis soon upon which a definite and satisfactory settlement can be arrived at.

## BORDEN WILL OP. OSE.

Announces His Intention to Autonomy Bills to the Conservative Caucus—Proceedings in The House.

Ottawa, March 21.—At an Opposition caucus this afternoon R. L. Borden announced his intention of opposing the autonomy bill in its new form. The announcement was favorably received, but the individual members of the party were not pledged. The Quebec Conservatives will probably vote for the Separate Schools clauses of the bill even if the Opposition should oppose them. The feeling is that the session will be a long one.

Slam Attendance in House. Ottawa, March 21.—With a very slim attendance, the House spent the whole of yesterday's session in Committee of Supply; but little interest was taken, the members having their minds fixed in anticipation on the debate of the Northwest autonomy bill which will be moved about \$750,000 was voted for the Marine and Fisheries Department. Hon. Mr. Prefontaine announced that the improvements and the aids to navigation on the St. Lawrence, upon which some \$2,000,000 has been spent, would shortly be finished, and the fact was incidentally developed that during the past year, as a result of the expenditure on that work, the insurance rates had been reduced by 50 per cent.

Messrs. Bergeron and Geoffroy were added to Sir Wm. Mulock's Committee on the Telephone Question. In committee on Mr. Fishers bill to amend the act respecting the packing and sale of staple commodities, Mr. Henderson (Halton) expressed the hope that the House would not pass the measure at this time. It was strange, if there was a strong demand for the bill, as stated by the Minister of Agriculture, that resolutions from some organized association of fruit growers had not been laid on the table. In his district, Mr. Henderson asserted, the fruit growers were opposed to the size of the box specified, which he contended, was a nondescript, being neither one-fourth nor one-third of a barrel.

Mr. Arch Campbell advocated the boxes, and said the fruit growers of his district would prefer them to the barrel. There had been a good deal of loss through the making of barrels from gum wood or through exposing properly made barrels to moisture, so that the staves swelled, the hoops broke, and the package would not stand shipment. The present box was a third of a barrel, and he held one bushel. It seemed a suitable size.

Mr. Fisher Has the Resolutions. Hon. Mr. Fisher said that there were resolutions of fruit growers to support the proposed bill. He read resolutions passed by the Fruit Growers' Associations of Ontario, in Quebec, of Nova Scotia, and of British Columbia. They all ask for the standardization of an export box of the size specified in the Canadian apple buyers and packers and English importers favoring the size specified in the bill. At Mr. Fisher's suggestion, the operation of the bill to allow shippers to get rid of this year's crop, and the bill was given third reading and passed.

## SENATE AND RAILWAY PASSE.

Ottawa, March 21.—For a couple of hours yesterday afternoon the Senate wrestled with the bill to amend the railway act in regard to the free transportation of members of Parliament. The object of the bill is to abolish passes and to require railways to carry members on presentation of a certificate signed by the Clerk of the House. The Senators seemed to be about evenly divided as to the merits of the bill. After a long discussion the committee rose and reported progress. The Murphy divorce bill was read a third time on division and passed.

## FIFTY-FIVE DEAD.

Sixteen Identified Victims of the Brooklyn, Mass., Fire.

Brooklyn, Mass., March 22.—Fifty-five dead, sixteen identified, forty-eight missing and 205 employees of the factory accounted for in brief, last night, the situation following Monday's fire catastrophe. For the first time since the fatal explosion razed the shoe factory of R. B. Grover & Co. the city seemed yesterday to fully realize the enormity of the calamity. This has been brought about by the positive identification, by bits of clothing, of the remains of several bodies, and the failure to return home of those who had they survived must have before sought their friends.

## Parent Quits.

Quebec, Que., March 22.—After going through routine proceedings in the Legislature yesterday afternoon, Hon. Mr. McCorkill, that the House adjourn until the 23rd inst. in order to give Hon. Mr. Gouin, who has been given his new Cabinet, time to construct his new Cabinet, which motion was adopted. Hon. B. N. Parent, ex-Prime Minister of the Province of Quebec, will leave for the United States to undergo expert medical treatment for his throat trouble.

## Nearly Burns to Death.

Winnipeg, March 22.—The wife of Allen Holshian, a farmer of Rapid River district, was badly burned yesterday and may die of her injuries. The house took fire while Mr. Holshian was tarring the roof. He endeavored to check the flames, but could save nothing, and found his wife unconscious in one of the rooms. Her clothing was ablaze, and it was with much difficulty he rescued her.

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## AUCTION SALE OF Household Furniture

Andrew Thomson, Jr., auctioneer, has received instructions from Mrs. W. J. Kennen to sell all her household effects in the flat over Dr. Holmes & McKee's office, King St., on Thursday, March 23rd, at one o'clock sharp, consisting of the following:

One fine velvet couch with book-rack, one oak rocker, one oak centre table, one rattan rocker, one small oak table, one oak Morris chair, several pairs of fine lace curtains, one four jardinerie stands, one rattan rocker, a parlor lamp, a beauty; one beautiful oak rocker, upholstered velvet, brussels carpets, red; one brussels rug and other carpets and rugs; four jardinerie stands, one rattan rocker, one pair tapestry curtains, one quarter oak extension table, polished top; six oak leather seat dining room chairs, one buffet; quarter oak, very finely finished; beautiful marble clock, several jardinerie, French China service, 102 pieces, maker Limoges; silver and glassware and common dishes; the contents of two bedrooms with pillows and bedding, one wardrobe, chest of drawers, lace curtains, china, refrigerator, and a fine lot of picture, one combination go-cart and baby carriage and baby cot; one jewel range, high shelf and refrigerator and cooking utensils, and many other articles too numerous to mention.

Mrs. Kennen is going away for the summer on account of her health and thought best to sell instead of storing her furniture.

This will be a fine sale to attend as the furniture and carpets, etc., are of the finest grade and in perfect condition.

Remember day and date, Thursday, March 23rd, at one o'clock sharp over the office of Dr. Holmes & McKee.

MRS. W. J. KENNEY, Proprietress, ANDREW THOMSON, JR., Auctioneer.

Ask for Minard's and take no other.

## NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Tenders addressed to John Kennedy, Chatham, will be received until Monday, April 10th, 1905, for repairs school house in Section No. 3, in Chatham Township; papering and siding, brick foundation, or repaving and repointing.

Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

## NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

Sealed bulk or separate tenders, addressed to Oliver H. Owens, will be received at the office of the undersigned architect until Friday, March 31st, 1905, for the various trades, including cement concrete foundation, brickwork, plastering, carpenterwork, painting and glazing, plumbing and hot air heating, required for the erection and completion of a residence in Dover, about thirteen miles from Chatham.

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